

Amount spent on Khadi Industry.

Q.—500. Srimathi BELLARY SIDDAMMA (Davangere).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the amount lapsed out of the grant sanctioned by them for Khadi Industry last year ;

(b) the amount spent so far during the current year (out of the amount voted in the budget) ?

A.—Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Home and Industries).—

(a) Rs. 70,000 out of Rs. 1,00,000.

(b) Rs. 9,000. In addition, the Khadi Committee have already recommended grants up to Rs. 45,410. Some of these recommendations have already been sanctioned and the others are under consideration of Government.

Suicides.

Q.—457. Sri B. HUTCHE GOWDA (Turuvekere).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the number of persons who committed suicide during the last three years in the State ;

(b) the reasons for the same ?

A.—Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Home and Industries).—

(a) 1950-51 1951-52 1952
(Official year) (Calendar year)

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(b) Not possible to say definitely.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT**GRANT OF MINING LEASE TO EX-RULER OF SANDUR STATE.**

Mr. SPEAKER.—Sri Mulka Govinda Reddy has given notice of an adjournment motion in the following terms :

“That this Assembly do stand adjourned to discuss a definite and urgent matter of public importance and of recent occurrence, namely, the grant of mining lease in Sandur Taluk in favour of ex-Ruler of the State.”

L.A.

If he has anything to say, he can do so.

*Sri MULKA GOVINDA REDDY (Chitaldrug).—Sir, this mining industry is a very important industry and the public as well as Government are very much interested in this industry. Almost monopoly rights have been given in favour of the ex-Ruler of Sandur regarding some mines in Sandur Taluk in Bellary District. Therefore, it is a matter of definiteness and of public importance and I understand that these rights have been given to the ex-Ruler very recently. Hence I seek the permission of the Chair to allow this matter to be discussed as a motion for adjournment.

Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA (Chief Minister).—Sir, I agree with my Hon'ble friend that this is an important subject. But whether it is urgent or not, is the question. So far as Mysore Government is concerned, it has not given any fresh lease to the Ruler of Sandur. Probably, at the time of integration of that State in the then Madras State he had obtained a lease and the Madras Government was committed to that position. He had also obtained the necessary permission from the Government of India. What we have done is merely to accept the lease that had already been arrived at between the Ruler of Sandur and the Madras Government. Therefore, Sir, there is no urgency and it is not of such great importance as to require discussion on the floor of the House today. My Hon'ble friend can avail an opportunity in the Budget Session and ventilate his views on the matter and I would very gladly place not only every fact at my disposal, but also the views of the Government.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Hon'ble Members are doubtless aware that the admission of an adjournment motion so as to interrupt the appointed order of business is subject to certain well-understood rules and conventions. On many occasions in the past the Chair has discussed this question at some length. So far as the present motion is concerned, it is difficult to hold that the subject is of such public importance as to

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require interruption of the appointed business. Secondly, the grant of lease is in accordance with the Mining Act and the rules thereunder; in other words, it is an order passed in the ordinary administration of law. Thirdly, other Parliamentary opportunities were and are available to the Hon'ble Member to debate this question, namely, during the debate on the motion of Address of Thanks, which had been set down for Saturday the 16th and are available today as well as on the Demands for Additional and Supplementary Grants coming up for debate tomorrow and the day after. In such circumstances there is a long list of authority to show that an adjournment motion of the kind now sought to be moved is not admissible.

I accordingly hold that this adjournment motion is not in order and I disallow it.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Now the Debate on the Motion of Address of Thanks to His Highness may be taken up. There are four amendments to the Motion of Thanks.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM (Jagalur).—Before going to the business, I crave your indulgence. I want to know the future business of this House and its programme. The Leader of the House has been promising.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—I will let you know. I have prepared a programme in consultation with the Leader of the House.

Monday, the 18th Debate on the January. Address.

Tuesday, the 19th Voting of Demands for Additional and Supplementary Grants for 1953-54.

Wednesday, the 20th January. Do

Thursday, the 21st January. Appropriation and other Bills, and consideration of the Report of the Rules Committee. (morning session)

Friday, the 22nd January. Non-Official Business—Resolutions.

Sri MULKA GOVINDA REDDY (Chitaldrug).—That day also will be a morning session.

Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA (Chief Minister).—It is left to you, Sir. If you want to have a morning Session, I have no objection.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Generally on the last day, the House will sit in the morning. That may be done. Copies of the printed revised programme will be circulated in due course today.

DEBATE ON THE MOTION OF THANKS.

Mr. SPEAKER.—There are four amendments to the Motion of Thanks. The first one stands in the name of Sri M. Linganna who is not present. The second is in the name of Sri J. Mohamed Imam and three others. One of them will speak first and then give chances to others.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM (Jagalur).—Sir, I beg to move the following amendment to the Motion of Thanks moved by the Hon'ble Member Sri B. Narayanaswami:—

“But regret that being pre-occupied with party factions, indiscriminate touring, ceremonial functions, Your Highness' Ministers have not taken effective steps to maintain efficiency in administration or to raise the standard of living of the common man and they have disregarded the public demand for the appointment of a Committee to enquire into the firing on the people at Mysore on the opening day of the recent Dasara celebrations and have not taken necessary steps to solve the growing unemployment or to ameliorate the conditions of the Depressed Classes.”

Sir, I have heard with great interest and respect the speech made by the mover of the Motion and also the speeches made in support of it. As I heard their speeches, Sir, I was reminded of that musical instrument which records faithfully the sound and words of his Master which is called 'His Master's